

Basketball State Committee Report – Spring 2025

We would like to thank the MPSSAA office, Mr. Ken Kazmarek, Mrs. Melissa Jones, Mr. Jason Bursick, Mr. Andy Warner, Ms. Melissa Mertz for their dedication and support throughout the tournament.

The committee worked together to put on a remarkable two days of basketball, and we cannot wait to do it all again next year. A special thank you goes out to Montgomery Blair, Thomas Johnson, New Town, Allegany Community College, North Point, and Henry E. Wise high schools for all the efforts they put into making sure they accommodated us with the highest level of hospitality in the state semifinals.

Below are the results for each classification and the Sportsmanship Winners:

Jack Willard Boys Sportsmanship Award: New Town HS

Mildred Haney Murray Girls Sportsmanship Award: North Point HS

State Championship Results

Class 1A

1A Girls - No. 1 Southern-G vs. No. 3 Pikesville - Pikesville won 67-62 5th Consecutive State Title

1A Boys - No. 1 Cambridge-SD vs. No. 6 The Seed Schol – Cambridge-SD won 36-33 in OT 4th State Title

Class 2A

2A Girls - No. 2 Hereford vs. No. 6 Francis Scott Key – Francis Scott Key won 44-39 2nd State Title

2A Boys - No. 1 New Town vs. No. 3 Largo - Largo won 50-48 4th State Title and 2nd Consecutive State Title

Class 3A

3A Girls - No. 3 Oakland Mills vs. No. 5 South River – South River won 56-45 2nd State Title

3A Boys - No. 1 Sherwood vs. No. 4 Baltimore City College – Baltimore City College won 70-61 5th State Title

Class 4A

4A Girls - No. 4 Western-B vs. No. 6 North Point – North Point won 61-30 2nd State Title

4A Boys - No. 1 Laurel vs. No. 3 Walt Whitman vs. - Laurel won 68-53 2nd State Title

MPSSAA Indoor Track & Field Committee Report

Event Locations and Scheduling Adjustments:

All Region and State Meets were held at the Prince George's Sports and Learning Indoor Complex. Due to inclement weather, including snow and school cancellations, rescheduling was necessary. The MPSSAA approved alternative dates and times to ensure all qualifying athletes could compete as scheduled. The committee would like to thank our officials for their dedication to the sport and the staff and MPSSAA for their flexibility and assistance in rescheduling the meets in a timely manner.

State Meet Results:

- **4A Boys:**
 - Champions: Montgomery Blair – 70 points
 - Runner-up: Paint Branch – 42 points
- **4A Girls:**
 - Champions: Urbana and Woodlawn – 58.5 points each
- **3A Boys:**
 - Champions: Oakland Mills – 64.25 points
 - Runner-up: Digital Harbor – 62 points
- **3A Girls:**
 - Champions: Oxon Hill – 67 points
 - Runner-up: Howard – 41.5 points
- **2A Boys:**
 - Champions: Westlake – 58 points
 - Runner-up: Middletown – 48 points
- **2A Girls:**
 - Champions: Century – 72 points
 - Runner-up: Hereford – 70 points

- **1A Boys:**
 - Champions: Harford Tech – 59 points
 - Runner-up: Liberty – 54 points
- **1A Girls:**
 - Champions: Harford Tech – 79 points
 - Runner-up: Smithsburg – 64 points

2025-26 Season Changes Approved by the Committee:

Scratch Rule:

The committee approved a new scratch rule to improve event flow and fairness. Athletes must notify event officials of scratches at least 30 minutes prior to the start of their event. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from that event.

Regional and State Meet Advancement:

The top 12 athletes or relay teams in each event will qualify for the regional and state meets. From each regional meet, the top 2 athletes or teams will advance to the State Meet. Additionally, the next 6 highest qualifiers across all regions will also move on to ensure a competitive and inclusive field.

Updated Advancement Standard Formula:

The committee adopted an updated formula to determine advancement standards, which incorporates recent performance data and state averages. Please refer to the **Indoor State Bulletin** for detailed information on the formula and qualifying standards.

Additional Information:

All coaches, athletes, and officials are encouraged to review the Indoor State Bulletin for comprehensive details regarding meet procedures, qualification standards, and scheduling updates.

The committee remains committed to providing a fair and competitive environment for all participants and looks forward to a successful 2025-26 indoor season.

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Swimming & Diving Committee Report

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Congratulations 2025 MPSSAA Swimming and Diving State Champions & Sportsmanship Winners

DIVING FINALS

BOYS	GIRLS
<u>James Skipper, Walt Whitman</u>	<u>Elise Pantezzi, Quince Orchard</u>

SWIMMING FINALS

	BOYS	GIRLS
3A/2A/1A	<u>Poolesville</u>	<u>Damascus</u>
4A/3A	<u>Walter Johnson</u>	<u>Walter Johnson</u>

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

3A/2A/1A: [North Harford](#)

4A/3A: [Wooten](#)

2025-2026 Information and Points of Emphasis

- **Swimming and Diving Committee voted to remain with current format and not moving forward with a prelims/finals format at this time**
- **2026 State Championships Dates:**
 - Diving: Friday, February 20, 2026
 - **4:00 PM** (*Note: One Hour Earlier Starting Time*)
 - Swimming: Saturday, February 21, 2026
 - **4A-3A: 9:00 AM**
 - **3A-2A-1A: 3:30 PM**
- (e.) Schools and coaches are reminded that when a student fails to continue participation when eligible to do so, it is a violation of athletic COMAR regulations [COMAR 13A.06.03.07(11)]. Coaches do a disservice to the sport and challenge the integrity of the championships when they mask participant attendance (i.e. attendance at an outside/club event championship) at the state meet in relay events with NFHS relay substitution rules.
- **Regional Diving:**
 - Location: Walkersville High School
 - Girls and boys will now alternate diving (compete at the same time) in alignment with state diving

● **2026 Region Meet Schedule:**

REGION DIVING MEET SCHEDULE		
4A-3A West Walkersville High School February 13 (3:00 p.m.)	4A-3A North Walkersville High School February 12 (3:00 p.m.)	3A-2A-1A West Walkersville High School February 13 (3:00 p.m.)
** Diving warm-up times shall begin one hour prior to the start of each region meet. **		
Entry Deadline: February 9 Meet Director: Michael Good Phone: 301-471-2571		

REGION SWIMMING MEET SCHEDULE			
4A-3A West Martin Luther King Swim Ctr. February 14 (2:00 p.m.) 1:00 p.m. Warm-Up	4A-3A North Martin Luther King Swim Ctr. February 14 (8:00 a.m.) 7:00 a.m. Warm-Up	4A-3A South Fairland Aquatic Center February 14 (9:00 a.m.) 8:00 a.m. Warm-Up	4A-3A East Arundel Swim Center February 14 (9:00 a.m.) 7:30 a.m. Warm-Up
Entry Deadline: February 9 Meet Director: Jason Blanken Phone: 240-286-4699	Entry Deadline: February 9 Meet Director: Jason Blanken Phone: 240-286-4699	Entry Deadline: February 9 Meet Director: John Venit Phone: 301-725-7711	Entry Deadline: February 9 Meet Director: John Adey Phone: 443-995-5072
3A-2A-1A West Fairland Aquatic Center February 14 (3:00 p.m.) 2:00 p.m. Warm-Up	3A-2A-1A North Magnolia Middle School February 14 (9:30 a.m.) 8:00 a.m. Warm-Up	3A-2A-1A South Edward T. Hall Aquatic Ctr. February 14 (3:00 p.m.) 1:45 p.m. Warm-Up	3A-2A-1A East Arundel Swim Center February 14 (3:00 p.m.) 1:30 p.m. Warm-Up
Entry Deadline: February 9 Meet Director: John Venit Phone: 301-725-7711	Entry Deadline: February 9 Meet Director: Chris Bley Phone: 301-752-1538	Entry Deadline: February 9 Meet Director: Alex Marley Phone: 410-610-3404	Entry Deadline: February 9 Meet Director: John Adey Phone: 443-995-5072

● **2026 State Meet Schedule:**

STATE MEET SCHEDULE		
DIVING CHAMPIONSHIP (All Classes)	4A-3A SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP	3A-2A-1A SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP
University of Maryland Eppley Recreation Center February 20 (4:00 p.m.)	University of Maryland Eppley Recreation Center February 21 (9:00 a.m.)	University of Maryland Eppley Recreation Center February 21 (3:30 p.m.)
Meet Director: Michael Good Phone: 301-471-2571	Meet Director: Chris Bley Phone: 301-752-1538	Meet Director: Chris Bley Phone: 301-752-1538

- **Inclement Weather / Rescheduling / Next Available Date Communication**
- **MPSSAA / Maryland Swimming Club Championships Scheduling Conflict**

Wrestling 2024-25 Updates for Board of Control

Congratulations Dual Meet State Champions

1A: South Carroll

2A: Huntingtown

3A: Chesapeake- AA

4A: Walt Whitman

Girls Team State Champions: Queen Anne's County Lions

Wrestling Sportsmanship Award: Linganore Lancers

For all the individual results:

<https://www.mpssaa.org/state-championships/wrestling/mpssaa-wrestling-state-championships-central/>

25-26 Proposed bulletin updates:

- **Clarification of weight pound allowance on December 22**
- **Minor corrections on dates and times for state championships**
- **Anyone interested in hosting a regional tournament for the next 2 years please reach to Micheal Duffy or Brian Layman**

To see the draft 25-26 bulletin:

https://www.mpssaa.org/assets/1/6/MPSSAA_Winter_Bulletin_2526.pdf